

Maine Revised Statutes
Title 24-A: MAINE INSURANCE CODE
Chapter 21: UNAUTHORIZED INSURERS --
PROHIBITIONS, PROCESS AND ADVERTISING

§2105. SERVICE OF PROCESS

1. Service of process upon any such insurer pursuant to section 2104 shall be made by delivering to and leaving with the superintendent or some person in apparent charge of his office 2 copies thereof and the payment to him of the fees as prescribed by section 601. The superintendent shall forthwith mail by registered or certified mail one of the copies of such process to the defendant at its principal place of business last known to the superintendent, and shall keep a record of all process so served upon him. Such service of process is sufficient, provided notice of such service and a copy of the process are sent within 10 days thereafter by registered or certified mail by plaintiff's attorney to the defendant at its last known principal place of business, and the defendant's receipt or receipt issued by the post office with which the letter is registered or certified, showing the name of the sender of the letter and the name and address of the person to whom the letter is addressed, and the affidavit of the plaintiff's attorney showing a compliance herewith are filed with the clerk of the court in which such action is pending on or before the date the defendant is required to appear, or within such further time as the court may allow.

[1973, c. 585, §12 (AMD) .]

2. Service of process in any such action, suit or proceeding shall in addition to the manner provided in subsection 1 be valid if served upon any person within this State, who in this State on behalf of such insurer, is:

A. Soliciting insurance; or [1969, c. 132, §1 (NEW) .]

B. Making any contract of insurance or issuing or delivering any policies or written contracts of insurance; or [1969, c. 132, §1 (NEW) .]

C. Collecting or receiving any premium for insurance; and a copy of such process is sent within 10 days thereafter by registered or certified mail by the plaintiff's attorney to the defendant at the last known principal place of business of the defendant, and the defendant's receipt, or the receipt issued by the post office with which the letter is registered or certified, showing the name of the sender of the letter and the name and address of the person to whom the letter is addressed, and the affidavit of the plaintiff's attorney showing a compliance herewith are filed with the clerk of the court in which such action is pending on or before the date the defendant is required to appear, or within such further time as the court may allow. [1969, c. 132, §1 (NEW) .]

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3. No plaintiff or complainant shall be entitled to a judgment or to have his complaint taken pro confesso under this section until the expiration of 30 days from the date of the filing of the affidavit of compliance.

[1969, c. 132, §1 (NEW) .]

4. Nothing in this section shall limit or abridge the right to serve any process, notice or demand upon any insurer in any other manner now or hereafter permitted by law.

[1969, c. 132, §1 (NEW) .]

SECTION HISTORY

1969, c. 132, §1 (NEW). 1973, c. 585, §12 (AMD).

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